In the Claims:

- 1.(original) A detergent composition comprising an enzyme and a coated bleaching agent, wherein the coating material of the bleaching agent is a substrate for the enzyme.
- 2.(currently amended) A detergent composition according to as claimed in claim 1 wherein, the composition is a liquid.
- 3.(currently amended) A detergent composition according to as claimed in either claim 1 or claim 2 wherein, the material is selected from the group consisting of protein, either of animal or vegetal origin, starch, fat and a mixture thereof.
- 4.(currently amended) A detergent composition <u>according to</u> as claimed in claim 3 wherein, the material is a protein.
- 5.(currently amended) A detergent composition according to claim 1 as claimed in any previous claim wherein, the enzyme is a protease.
- 6.(currently amended) A detergent composition according to claim 1 as claimed in any previous claim wherein, the bleaching agent is a halogen releasing bleach or an oxygen releasing bleach
- 7.(currently amended) A detergent composition according to as claimed in claim 6 wherein, the bleaching agent has an average size from 100μ to 2500μ, more preferably from 500μ to 2000μ and more preferably from 700μ to 1500μ.

- 8.(currently amended) A detergent composition according to claim 1 as claimed in any claim from 1 to 7 wherein, the bleaching agent consists of a hydrogen peroxide source and an organic peroxyacid bleach precursor compound.
- 9.(new) A detergent composition according to claim 2 wherein, the material is selected from the group consisting of protein, either of animal or vegetal origin, starch, fat and a mixture thereof.
- 10.(new) A detergent composition according to claim 9 wherein, the material is a protein.
- 11.(new) A detergent composition according to claim 7 wherein, the bleaching agent has an average size from 500μ to 2000μ.
- 12.(new) A detergent composition according to claim 11 wherein, the bleaching agent has an average size from 700μ to 1500μ.